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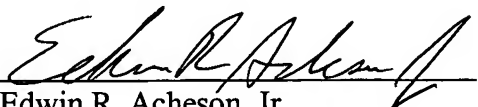
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**REMARKS**

In the October 19, 2004, Office Action the Examiner claims 1-3 and 9-15 as being anticipated by USP 5,707,378, and rejected claims 4-8 as being obvious in view of the '378 patent. Applicants believe that the current amendments place the claims in condition for allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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